

ROYAL BOROUGH OF NEW WINDSOR



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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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# ROYAL BOROUGH OF NEW WINDSOR



To The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors  
of the Royal Borough of New Windsor.

The Medical Officer of Health has the honour  
to submit his Annual Report for 1963, which, following  
last year's wide summary of services, will on this  
occasion be limited to the usual statistical detail  
with some more detailed comments on particular  
services.

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LIST OF CLINICS IN WINDSOR

under the control of the

WINDSOR AREA HEALTH SUB-COMMITTEE

Clinic	Windsor	Clewer
Immunisation & Vaccination	Once every four weeks (Wednesday morning)	Once every four weeks (Wednesday morning)
Child Welfare	Wednesday } 2 - 4.30 Friday } p.m.	Tuesday } 2 - 4.30 Thursday } p.m.
Toddlers only	First Wednesday in the month, 2 - 4.30 p.m.	First Thursday in the month, 2 - 4.30 p.m.
Mothercraft & Relaxation	Tuesday & Thursday afternoon by appt.	



## A QUESTION OF PRIORITIES

Last year's report besides being rather philosophical in its treatment gave a general picture of the services available to one throughout life. During the past few years one has seen an overhauling of other more enterprising authorities whose services were much more extensive than those of Berkshire, but in the past year it has been possible to say that instead of following a lead the county is in certain aspects in the forefront with modern thought and action.

The greater provision of more places for Educationally Sub-Normal children is particularly welcome as is also the better provision for the training of the ineducable.

The increase in nursing staff has made it possible to widen the field of activity including a programme of health education in schools which in some now takes a regular place in the school timetable throughout the year instead of, as formerly, the two or three talks given during the year.

There are in fact more and more ideas being developed, particularly in the health education field, so that the time has come when priorities must be studied.\* More and more one is searching the population for an infinitesimal number of people at risk with a view to preventing those at risk developing established abnormalities. The case of Phenylketonuria and the early prevention of mental defect is a case in point but fortunately the test is simple and can easily be included in routine examinations, although it must apply to 100% of births. Other more time consuming labours must however be considered against the fruits to be borne. On the other hand it may be that certain long established practices could be discontinued and certainly frequent weighing of children is among these.

There is no doubt that in the past immunisation and infant feeding hygiene left nobody in doubt as to their necessity, and the resulting benefits were not measured in tens but in thousands. This contrasts vividly with some procedures now which may not reveal a single abnormality in an individual nurse's work over a decade. Health Education generally, though it may not reveal dramatic results within a few years, is definitely one of the priorities and already the public is so enquiring in health matters that one has to be aware of and absolutely up-to-date with the most recent research. This is, of course, excellent but at times one has to restrain well intentioned enthusiasts from rushing into a new field and perhaps establishing a new service before it has

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proved its worth. Let one not turn aside from all pioneering efforts but progress with some caution lest one's resources become extended to the detriment of more rewarding and already established practices.

### CLINICS AND HEALTH VISITING

The end of the year saw the closing of Vale House Clinic without any hope of having the new clinic in Smiths Lane ready for several months, but the Medical Officer of Health had no real anxiety that the health of mothers and children in the Dedworth area would suffer. The most important service seemed to be to maintain the immunisation programme. With the Health Visitors concentrating for a short time more on home visiting at the expense of some of their other work and the availability of the main clinic at Kipling Building, it was felt that no great hardship would result and always there was the knowledge that, in any case of real anxiety on the part of a parent, the family doctor is regularly to be found at his surgery.

At this time it might have been reasonable to reflect on whether or not Infant and Child Welfare Clinics were serving a useful purpose and whether one's priorities were correct, bearing in mind the positive return in health in relation to the time and money expended. It is true to say that such thoughts did take place in the minds of the medical staff. However, the Committee and the public generally made clear the concern that was felt at being without a clinic. At first it was thought that this concern would be lessened by making available at other premises the reduced price baby foods but even this did not satisfy the demand and eventually through the kindness of one of the head teachers it was also possible to provide in one of the school dining rooms afternoon sessions where not only was baby food available but a Health Visitor could be consulted. The absence of the Medical Officer did not seem to cause quite so much concern and this rather strengthens the view that the Medical Officer should act in a supervisory and consultant capacity rather than as a routine examiner of all the children who attend the clinics.

One then had to consider whether perhaps only the vociferous few proclaimed the value of the clinics so quite purposely no public announcement was made of the stop gap arrangements. It was left to the natural passage of news through the community and the numbers of attenders were watched with interest.



	<u>Infants</u>	<u>Toddlers</u>
Before the closure of Vale House the average daily attendance when the Clinic took place twice weekly was .....	32	12
By the end of the first month attendance at the temporary clinic which was held once weekly and at which no toddlers attended was .....	19	
Just before the temporary arrangements ceased the daily attendance reached ..... (This however was above average, which in the last 4 weeks was ..... 14)	30	
Soon in the new clinic the numbers were to reach .....	35	13

The new clinic is situated further to the west of the town so that a number who formerly used Vale House now find it nearer to go to Kipling Building clinic. However, in view of the continued development at the west end of the town and the fact that formerly some clinics were overcrowded, it is expected that in time it will be necessary to arrange 3 clinics weekly at the new clinic.

It seemed therefore that a very definite demand existed for the service of an infant welfare centre. So it was decided to carry out some statistical investigations to find out what proportion of babies born during the previous year attended the clinic. While investigating this the proportion immunised and the age at which this was done was also sought and comparison made with home visiting by Health Visitors. Some most interesting figures resulted.

With the exception of one of the family doctor's children, to whom apologies are offered, 100% of new babies were visited in their homes by the Health Visitors. The average number of visits to the home during a child's first year was 4.5. While however one assumes that with selective visiting a Health Visitor will visit more often at home a child who is not brought to the clinic, this in fact proved not to be the case. There was considerable evidence showing that those who attended the clinic frequently during the first year seemed to need more supervision and support by also having more frequent home visiting, which suggests that in such cases a definite problem existed requiring much more than routine consultation.

With regard to clinic attendance, 93% attended at one time or other during the first year of life. The average number of clinic visits in one year was 10, the lowest being 1 and the maximum 18, but half the children attended rather more than 10 times each during the year.



The use made of a doctor at the clinic was also studied and it was found that just over half were examined by the doctor. Some of these of course had been born in hospital where they had routine medical examination but it was found that the proportion of home confinements not examined by a clinic doctor was also about half. Approximately one third of all births occur at home, so therefore one sixth of all births do not have any routine examination. It is not thought that many of these are examined as a routine by the family doctor.

There is surely, therefore, a case for at least one routine physical examination by a doctor soon after birth. Most babies born in Old Windsor Hospital are examined for congenital hip dislocation by an orthopaedic surgeon but this cannot apply to all early discharge cases and it seems that the Health Visitor should satisfy herself that every newborn has had a routine examination by a doctor either in hospital, in the clinic or by the family doctor. This will mean small return for the time spent but would seem justified at this early stage and later examination at clinics at least could be left to selection by Health Visitors rather than, as still occurs, routine examination at 1 year and further routine examination in the toddler clinic at 4 years. Selection, of course, as a child grows older must refer to problems of behaviour as well as physical development.

The writer has no very fixed ideas on the position of Infant Welfare Clinics in the community and has always been prepared to accept changing views and demands. The modest statistical investigation does suggest that there is a demand and that good use is made of the services offered. It is clear also that for a considerable time to come the family doctor, due to pressure of work, will be unable to give the same service even with his closer liaison with Health Visitors, which is encouraged, and so for the foreseeable future the new clinic will have much to offer not only as the home of the infant welfare clinic but as a meeting place for both other established and also newer services such as midwives ante-natal clinics, Family Planning, Child Guidance, Mothercraft and Health Education generally.



STATISTICS

Area (in acres) ... ..	4,616
Home Population (Registrar-General's Estimate mid year 1963) ... ..	28,270
Number of Inhabited Houses 1963 (estimated) ... ..	7,700
Rateable Value at 31st December, 1963 ... ..	£1,216,751
Sum represented by a Penny Rate (year ending 31.3.64)... ..	£4,896

Causes of Death in the Borough during 1963

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Tuberculosis, respiratory ... ..	-	-
Tuberculosis, other ... ..	-	-
Meningococcal Infections . ... ..	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis ... ..	-	-
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases ... ..	1	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach ... ..	2	3
Lung, Bronchus ... ..	9	5
Breast ... ..	-	2
Uterus ... ..	-	5
Other Malignant & Lymphatic Neoplasms ... ..	16	14
Leukaemia, Aleukaemia ... ..	-	-
Diabetes ... ..	-	2
Vascular Lesions of Nervous System ... ..	19	18
Coronary Disease, Angina . ... ..	38	20
Hypertension with Heart Disease ... ..	1	1
Other Heart Disease ... ..	10	24
Other Circulatory Disease ... ..	6	11
Influenza ... ..	1	1
Pneumonia ... ..	4	7
Bronchitis ... ..	15	8
Other Diseases of Respiratory System . ... ..	-	-
Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum .. ...	4	1
Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea ... ..	1	1
Nephritis and Nephrosis .. ...	1	-
Hyperplasia of Prostate .. ...	2	-
Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion ... ..	-	-
Congenital Malformations . ... ..	2	2
Other defined and ill-defined Diseases ... ..	15	16
Motor Vehicle Accidents .. ...	5	2
All Other Accidents ... ..	3	-
Suicide ... ..	2	-
Homicide and Operations of War . ... ..	1	-
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Totals ... ..	158	143
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Births

				<u>Live Births</u>		<u>Stillbirths</u>	
				<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Total	...	...	...	271	279	5	3
Legitimate	...	...	...	254	264	5	3
Illegitimate	..	...	...	17	15	-	-

				<u>Windsor</u>	<u>England &amp; Wales</u>
Birth Rate per 1,000 population	...			19.5	18.2

Infant Deaths

				<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Total Deaths of Infants under 1 year				7	9
Legitimate	...	...		6	8
Illegitimate	..	...		1	1

Total Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks				5	6
Legitimate	...	...		4	5
Illegitimate	..	...		1	1

				<u>Windsor</u>	<u>England &amp; Wales</u>
Death Rate per 1,000 Population	...			10.6	12.2
Infant Mortality Rate	...	...		29.0	20.9
Perinatal Mortality Rate (Stillbirths and deaths of infants under 1 week of age)				30.9	
Maternal Mortality Rate	...	...		Nil	

While too much cannot be deduced from a comparatively small series of figures, the infant death rate of 29.0 is noted as being considerably higher than that for England & Wales. In 1959 the rate was almost half that for England & Wales and so a more reasonable judgement is to take the average over a period of years. During the past five years the average infant death rate for Windsor has been 24.5, and that for England & Wales 21.5. This does not give any reason for satisfaction and if in 1964 the rate should again prove considerably higher than the average for the country as a whole, more detailed investigation into the matter must be carried out.



Infectious Disease Notifications

	Under 1 yr.	1 to 2	3 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 64	65 and over	Total noti- fied
Scarlet Fever	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Measles	8	44	40	80	-	-	-	1	-	1	174
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Dysentery	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	2
Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1

Tuberculosis

	New Cases				Deaths			
	Respiratory		Non-Resp.		Respiratory		Non-Resp.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 years	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 years	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
45 years	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
55 years	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
65 years & upwards	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	-
Totals	3	3	-	1	5	-	-	-

During the year there were reported 8 inward transfers, 8 outward transfers, 31 recoveries and 2 patients were lost sight of, giving a total of 202 cases on the register at the end of 1963.

Maternity Services

	<u>No. of Windsor cases confined</u>
Princess Christian Maternity Home ... ..	93
Old Windsor Hospital ... ..	218
Princess Christian Nursing Home . ... ..	7
Other Registered Maternity Homes & Hospitals ...	73
Total number of home confinements ... ..	186

Child Health Centres

Number of Births ... ..	550
Number of new attenders under 1 year of age . ...	557
Number of new attenders between 1 - 5 years . ...	66
Total number of attendances - Windsor 3263	
Clewer <u>3772</u>	7035

Domestic Help Service

Number of part-time Domestic Helps employed at 31st December, 1963 ... ..	50
Number of cases served during the year ... ..	184
Number of hours worked ... ..	30,183



Immunisation

					<u>Primary</u>		
					<u>Diphtheria</u>	<u>Triple Antigen</u>	<u>Tetanus</u>
Total number immunised	...	...	...	...	29	531	6
Number aged 0-4 years (incl.)	...	...	...	...	1	442	2
Number aged 5-10 years (incl.)	...	...	...	...	17	-	1
Number aged 11-15 years (incl.)	..	...	...	...	2	-	3
Immunised by family doctors	...	...	...	...	9	89	-

					<u>Booster</u>		
Total number immunised	...	...	...	...	747	296	-
Number aged 0-4 years (incl.)	...	...	...	...	-	278	-
Number aged 5-10 years (incl.)	...	...	...	...	509	2	-
Number aged 11-15 years (incl.)	..	...	...	...	232	-	-
Immunised by family doctors	...	...	...	...	6	16	-

Vaccination against Smallpox

During the year 1963 vaccination of children							
under 1 year totalled	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
1 - 5 years	...	...	...	...	...	...	68
5 - 15 years	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Adults	...	...	...	...	...	...	-
Vaccinated by family doctors (Children and Adults)	..	...	...	...	...	...	52

Poliomyelitis

						<u>Primary</u>	<u>Booster</u>
Total number immunised -							
0 - 4 years	...	...	...	...	...	573	-
5 - 10 years	...	...	...	...	...	-	416

HOUSING

Information with regard to action taken under the Housing Act, 1957, during the year is set out in the form below as required by the Minister of Health:

1. Inspection of Dwellinghouses during the Year.

- |   |     |
|---|-----|
| (1) (a) Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing defects (under the Public Health or Housing Acts) ...  | 172 |
| (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ... ..   | 686 |
| (2) (a) Number of dwellinghouses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 and 1932 ... .. | 74  |
| (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ... ..   | 428 |
| (3) Number of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation ... ..                                      | 7   |
| (4) Number of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to under preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation. ... ..      | 76  |

2. Remedy of Defects during the Year without Service of Formal Notices.

Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers ... ..	57
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3. Action under Statutory Powers during the Year.

(A) Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 12 of the Housing Act, 1957:

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| (1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs... .. | 0 |
| (2) Number of dwellinghouses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:        |   |
| (a) By Owners ... ..   | 3 |
| (b) By Local Authority in default of owners. ... ..  | 1 |



(B) Proceedings under Public Health Acts:

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| (1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied. ... | 7 |
| (2) Number of dwellinghouses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:               |   |
| (a) By Owners.. ...  | 5 |
| (b) By Local Authority in default of owners.. ...  | 1 |

(C) Proceedings under Sections 16, 17, 23, 24, and 27 of the Housing Act, 1957:

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| (1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made ...                        | 0 |
| (2) Number of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders:                              |   |
| (a) By Owners ...   | 3 |
| (b) By Local Authority in default of owners.. ...   | 0 |
| (3) Number of Undertakings accepted from owners to render premises in all respects fit for habitation.  | 1 |
| (4) Number of Undertakings cancelled by Local Authority after premises had been rendered fit ...        | 1 |
| (5) Number of Closing Orders determined, the dwellinghouse having been made fit ...                     | 0 |
| (6) Number of Demolition Orders revoked under Section 24, the dwellinghouse having been made fit... ... | 0 |

(D) Proceedings under Section 18 of the Housing Act, 1957:

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| (1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made.. ...  | 0 |
| (2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been made fit ... | 1 |
| (3) In addition the following houses were demolished:   |   |
| (a) Subject to an Undertaking not to re-let... ...  | 1 |
| (b) After informal action by Local Authority officers... ...  | 2 |



#### 4. Clearance Areas

In January 1963 an area comprising 76 houses in Edward Square, Denmark Street, and Grosvenor Place was declared to be a Clearance Area. Although the owners of the properties objected to the order this objection was later withdrawn, the order being confirmed by the Minister on the 23rd August 1963, no public enquiry being held.

The remaining houses in the Ann's Place Clearance Area were demolished early in the year.

#### 5. Improvement of Houses

As a result of circular 42/62 issued by the Minister of Housing and Local Government, 58 of the older houses in Bolton Road were surveyed and owners of houses lacking one or more of the five basic amenities were advised as to the availability of improvement grants. Although the results, having regard to the amount of time involved, were disappointing some houses were improved with grant aid.

#### 6. Housing Act, 1957 - Part V - Provision of Housing Accommodation.

Figures received from the Borough Treasurer show that the number of families rehoused by the Council during the year were as follows:

Rehoused from waiting list...	...	...	...	...	...	29
Rehoused from condemned property...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Rehoused from redevelopment area...	...	...	...	...	...	<u>8</u>
						<u>38</u>

Families rehoused during 1962 numbered 13.

#### Housing Acts (Financial Provisions), 1949 - 1958

Number of improvement grants approved ...	...	...	...	...	54
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#### Rent Act, 1957

Tenants appear to be reluctant to take advantage of the provisions of this Act. In the past many tenants who obtained Certificates of Disrepair have failed to reduce the rent to a sum of  $1\frac{1}{3}$ rd times the gross value of the property.



ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act

Rodent Control

	Type of Property				
	Local Authority	Private Dwelling Houses	Business Premises	Agri-cultural	Total
No. of Properties in Borough	25	7830	1744	6	961
No. of Properties inspected as a result of -					
(a) Notification	6	253	15	1	27
(b) Survey under Act	1	170	6	-	17
(c) Otherwise (when inspected primarily for some other purpose)	13	391	579	-	98
No. of Properties inspected and found to be infested	7	310	19	1	33
No. of Properties treated by local authority	7	310	19	1	337
No. of Notices served under Sec. 4 of the Act	-	-	-	-	-

In April test baiting in excess of 10 per cent of the sewer manholes was carried out on the Council's sewers. Eight bait takes were recorded. A number of manholes in the central area were subject to a maintenance treatment, nine manholes showing bait takes were baited to extinction.



Pet Animals Act, 1957

The occupiers of four properties within the borough held licences to keep a pet shop. The conditions of the licences have been complied with.

Disinfection

During the year no case occurred where it was necessary to make use of the steam disinfecting facilities which are available to the Council at Maidenhead Isolation or Old Windsor Hospitals.

The number of rooms disinfected was 2.

Verminous Premises

			<u>Houses</u>	<u>Rooms</u>
<u>Bed Bugs</u>				
Council houses disinfested	...	...	4	14
Other houses disinfested..	...	...	7	18
<u>Fleas</u>				
Council houses disinfested	...	...	3	8
Other houses disinfested..	...	...	3	8
<u>Other Pests</u>				
Council houses disinfested	...	...	0	0
Other houses disinfested..	...	...	3	16

Sanitary Defects and Nuisances

During the year 574 sanitary defects and nuisances were discovered, 169 informal and 29 formal notices were served requiring abatement of the defects or nuisances. At the end of the year 82 informal and 14 formal notices had been complied with. In addition 54 informal and 12 formal notices which were outstanding at the end of 1962 had been complied with.



Complaints

Burning of Refuse...	...	...	...	...	2
Dampness	...	...	...	...	10
Dirty premises	...	...	...	...	6
Ditches	...	...	...	...	1
Drains - choked	...	...	...	...	105
					Note 25% in post-War houses
defective..	...	...	...	...	2
Dustbins	...	...	...	...	1
Caravans	...	...	...	...	2
Flooding	...	...	...	...	1
Food and Drugs	...	...	...	...	16
Gutters and rainwater pipes	...	...	...	...	3
Housing defects	...	...	...	...	16
Keeping of animals..	...	...	...	...	2
Milk and Dairies	...	...	...	...	3
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	6
Noise	...	...	...	...	4
Obstructed light	...	...	...	...	1
Offensive accumulations...	...	...	...	...	7
Offensive smells	...	...	...	...	34
Overcrowding..	...	...	...	...	1
Pests - Bees..	...	...	...	...	1
Beetles	...	...	...	...	1
Bugs..	...	...	...	...	14
Fleas.	...	...	...	...	4
Flies.	...	...	...	...	3
Mice..	...	...	...	...	52
Rats..	...	...	...	...	222
Wasps.	...	...	...	...	128
Other.	...	...	...	...	13
Roofs...	...	...	...	...	4
Sanitary Accommodation (Insufficient).	...	...	...	...	2
Shops Act	...	...	...	...	1
Smoke or grit.	...	...	...	...	3
Unsound food (Shops)	...	...	...	...	38
Water closets (defective).	...	...	...	...	9
Water pipes...	...	...	...	...	4
					<u>722</u>



FOOD AND DRUGS

The following table shows the number of samples taken and submitted to the Public Analyst for analysis and the results of such analysis:

Article	Number Taken			Number Adulterated		
	Formal	Informal	Total	Formal	Informal	Total
Apple Joy ...	-	1	1	-	-	-
Breadcrumbs ...	-	1	1	-	-	-
Bread Roll ...	-	1	1	-	1	1
Bronchial Mixture	-	1	1	-	-	-
Butter ... ..	-	1	1	-	-	-
Buttered Cheese Spread	-	1	1	-	-	-
Candied Peel...	-	1	1	-	-	-
Caraway Seeds.	-	1	1	-	-	-
Cheese ... ..	-	1	1	-	-	-
Cherries.. ...	-	1	1	-	-	-
Chicken Stock Cubes	-	1	1	-	-	-
Coffee and Chicory Essence	-	1	1	-	-	-
Cough Syrup ...	-	1	1	-	1	1
Cream of Tartar	-	1	1	-	-	-
Creamed Horseradish	-	1	1	-	-	-
Currants ...	-	1	1	-	-	-
Curry Powder...	-	1	1	-	-	-
Dairy Ice-cream	-	1	1	-	-	-
Desiccated Coconut	-	2	2	-	-	-
Dry Fry... ..	-	1	1	-	-	-
Essence of Rennet	-	1	1	-	-	-
Food Colours...	-	4	4	-	2	2
Frankfurters...	-	1	1	-	1	1
Frig Ice.. ...	-	1	1	-	-	-
Frozen Peas ...	-	1	1	-	1	1
Gee's Linctus..	-	1	1	-	-	-
Gelatine.. ...	-	1	1	-	-	-
Glace Cherries.	-	1	1	-	-	-
Ground Ginger..	-	2	2	-	-	-
Hamburgers ...	-	1	1	-	-	-
Ice-cream ...	-	11	11	-	-	-
Ice-cream Mix..	-	1	1	-	-	-
Ice-Lolly Mix..	-	1	1	-	-	-
Instant Coffee.	-	1	1	-	-	-
Italian Dressing	-	1	1	-	-	-
Lemon Juice (P.L.J.)	-	1	1	-	-	-
TOTAL (Carr.Fwd.)	-	51	51	-	6	6



Total (Brt.Fwd.)	-	51	51	-	6	6
Marzipan (Almond)	-	1	1	-	-	-
Mayonnaise ...	-	1	1	-	-	-
Milk ... ..	12	1	13	-	1	1
Milk Shake Syrup	-	1	1	-	-	-
Minced Beef ...	-	1	1	-	-	-
Mint Concentrate	-	1	1	-	-	-
Mixed Peel ...	-	2	2	-	-	-
Mushroom Soup..	-	1	1	-	-	-
Mustard & Cress	-	1	1	-	1	1
Mustard Pickle	-	1	1	-	-	-
Orange Crush...	-	1	1	-	-	-
Orange Flavoured Syrup	-	1	1	-	1	1
Paella with Chicken and Prawns..	-	1	1	-	-	-
Pie Crust Mix..	-	1	1	-	1	1
Pilchards in Tomato	-	1	1	-	-	-
Pilchroe ...	-	1	1	-	-	-
Preserves. ...	-	2	2	-	-	-
Prunes ... ..	-	1	1	-	-	-
Quick Jel. ...	-	1	1	-	-	-
Sausages, Beef.	-	1	1	-	1	1
Pork.	-	2	2	-	-	-
Sausage Meat,Pork	-	1	1	-	-	-
Steak & Kidney Pie	1	1	2	-	1	1
Stewed Steak...	-	1	1	-	-	-
Sucron (Slimmers Sugar)	-	1	1	-	1	1
Sugar Confectionery	-	1	1	-	-	-
Table Jelly ...	-	1	1	-	-	-
Tomato Puree...	-	1	1	-	1	1
Vegetable Juice	-	1	1	-	-	-
Yog-Fruit ...	-	1	1	-	-	-
TOTAL	13	84	97	-	14	14



Table of Adulterated Samples

Sample No.	Article	Formal or Informal	Nature of Adulteration or Abnormality	Observations
65	Tomato Puree	Informal	Sample showed pieces of mould hyphae.	Reported as inferior not adulterated.
69	Pie Crust Mix	Informal	Labelled in accordance with American custom	Old stock. New label amended on representation to importer.
78	Steak & Kidney Pie	Informal	Pie contained only 14% of meat.	Repeat sample (No. 128) after representation to manufacturer contained 26% meat
85	Frozen Peas	Informal	Included unpleasant material in the form of pea shuck and leaf.	
98	Milk	Informal	Dirty bottle, marks on bottle below shoulder - 2" x about $\frac{1}{2}$ ".	Referred to local authority in whose area milk was bottled.
107	Frankfurters	Informal	Incorrectly labelled.	Label amended by manufacturer after correspondence.
109	Sap Green colour	Informal	Incorrectly labelled.	Labels amended after representation to manufacturer.
110	Violet colour	Informal	Incorrectly labelled.	
119	Mustard and Cress	Informal	Misleading label	Analyst objected to presence of "Rape", this is permitted by Ministry order in 1935.



120	Bread Roll	Informal	Alleged to contain piece of glass	Roll examined by Analyst in presence of baker. Doubt as to glass being in roll when baked.
125	Sucron	Informal	Incorrectly labelled. Analyst objected to the inclusion of "Puddings" etc. on the label.	Referred to manufacturer who claimed that slimmers could eat puddings with reduced sugar content.
136	Cough Syrup	Informal	Analyst suggested that the amount of Chloroform should be reduced	Referred to manufacturer who was of the opinion that product was thoroughly mixed and no danger could arise.
141	Orange flavoured syrup	Informal	Incorrectly labelled.	Old stock carrying "Canadian" label. All stocks withdrawn after representation to importers.
158	Glass alleged to have been found in beef sausages.	Informal	Sliver of glass devised from electric light shade or vase.	Legal proceedings. Case dismissed.

### Food Hygiene

During the year it was found necessary to serve 33 informal notices on owners or occupiers of food premises. At the end of the year 17 of the above notices had been complied with together with 10 informal notices which had been served previously. The number of food premises in the Borough is as follows :

Bakers and Confectioners	...	...	9
Butchers	...	...	23
Catering Establishments..	...	...	56
Chemists	...	...	9
Cooked Meats.	...	...	3
Fish Fryers..	...	...	5
Fishmongers..	...	...	5
Greengrocers.	...	...	30
Grocers and General	...	...	62
Hotels	...	...	8
Public Houses	...	...	56
School Canteens	...	...	10
Sugar Confectioners	...	...	42
Wholesale Meat Depots	...	...	2
Wine Merchants	...	...	8
Works Canteens	...	...	8



Milk & Dairies

(1) Distribution and Registration

The following are registered under the various Orders and Regulations:

Distributors of Milk	...	...	26
Dairymen	...	...	4

Ten distributors are licensed to sell Tuberculin Tested Milk, fifteen to sell Pasteurised Milk and twenty-one to sell Sterilised Milk.

(2) Special Designations

Phosphatase Test is a test to show the efficiency of pasteurisation and is dependent on the destruction of the enzyme phosphatase by "legal" pasteurisation temperatures. 0.25% of raw milk added to pasteurised milk can be detected in this way.

Methylene Blue Test depends on decolourisation of the dye by bacteria, if present, when added to milk. A sample of milk shall be regarded as satisfying the methylene blue reduction test if it fails to decolourise in half an hour.

Tuberculin Tested:

Number of samples taken...	...	...	...	11
Passed Methylene Blue Test	...	...	...	10
Failed Methylene Blue Test	...	...	...	1

Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised)

Number of samples taken...	...	...	...	34
Passed both tests...	...	...	...	28
Failed Methylene Blue Test	...	...	...	6

Pasteurised

Number of samples taken...	...	...	...	18
Passed Methylene Blue Test	...	...	...	17
Failed Methylene Blue Test	...	...	...	1
Passed Phosphatase Test...	...	...	...	18

Sterilised

Number of samples taken...	...	...	...	3
Passed Turbidity Test	...	...	...	3



Ice-Cream

The number of samples submitted to bacteriological examination was 23 which were classified by the bacteriologist as follows:-

Grade	1	...	...	18	...	...	78.2%
Grade	11	...	...	4	...	...	17.4%
Grade	111	...	...	1	...	...	4.4%

Of the above samples 14 were of ice-cream manufactured in premises within the borough, 4 from mobiles giving soft service and 5 samples of prepacked ice-cream, results of the various categories being as follows:-

	Grade 1	Grade 11	Grade 111	Grade 1V	Total
Manufacturer A	4	2	-	-	6
: B	5	-	-	-	5
: C	2	-	-	-	2
: D	1	-	-	-	1
Mobile Soft Service	4	-	-	-	4
Prepacked Retail Sales	2	2	1	-	5
Totals	18	4	1	-	23

In addition 7 samples of ice-lollies were submitted to the laboratory, all samples being satisfactory.

Sampling from mobile ice-cream dealers presents difficulties as samples have to be delivered to the laboratory before 4pm on the day of sampling and van salesmen do not appear to work to a fixed itinerary, they may not reach Windsor until late afternoon or evening and on occasion fail to put in an appearance.

As to the sampling of soft service ice-cream from registered premises much depends on weather conditions, if the demand is expected to be small retailers prefer to rely on the sales of prepacked ice-cream in order to avoid unnecessary work in connection with cleansing and sterilising equipment.



Provisional grades of ice-cream are as follows :-

Provisional Grade	Time taken to reduce methylene blue
I	$4\frac{1}{2}$ hours or more
II	$2\frac{1}{2}$ - 4 hours
III	$\frac{1}{2}$ - 2 hours
IV	0 hours

There is no legal standard for the grading of the Methylene Blue test of ice-cream, but those samples in Grades III and IV raise grave doubt as to the efficiency of their manufacture or storage.

The following premises are registered under Section 16 of the Food & Drugs Act, 1955 :-

Ice-cream

Manufacturers in operation	...	...	...	4
Storage and sale	...	...	...	89
Sale only	...	...	...	39
Storage only.	...	...	...	1
<u>Preserved Food</u>	..	...	...	32

Water Samples

The following samples were submitted for examination :-

From water supply area (fluoride)	...	11
From swimming baths	...	8
From ditches etc...	...	4



Unsound Food

(1) Butchers' Shops (Wholesale and Retail)

Condition	Weight in Pounds												Totals
	Beef				Mutton				Pork				
	Home Killed		Imported		Home Killed		Imported		Home Killed		Imported		
	Meat	Offal	Meat	Offal	Meat	Offal	Meat	Offal	Meat	Offal	Meat	Offal	
<u>ABSCESS</u>													
Top piece and rump			139										139
Gammon											21		21 16
<u>ARTHRITIS</u>													
Shin	12												12 1
<u>BRUISING</u>													
Aitch Bone and Silverside			34										34 3
<u>CONTAMINATION</u>													
Trimmings	14												14 1
<u>CORYNE BACTERIUM</u>													
Head									10				10 1
<u>DECOMPOSITION</u>													
Bacon cuts											110		110
Kidneys				85								19	104
Leg									36				36
Plucks						33							33
Shin (Boneless)			70										70
Trimmings			50										50 40
<u>HYDRONEPHRITIS</u>													
Kidney and Fat										8			8
<u>INFLAMMATION</u>													
Leaf Lard										2			2
Lungs and heart						4							4
<u>TUBERCULOSIS</u>													
Forequarter Beef					107								107
Heads									125				125 23
Totals	26	-	293	85	107	37	-	-	171	10	131	19	87

Also condemned from butcher's shop :-

Poultry 7 lbs.



(2) Other Food Premises

The following is a list of the food condemned at other food premises:

Bread and cakes	...	...	...	...	6	
Cereals	...	...	...	...	9	
Cheese...	...	...	...	...	3	
Coffee...	...	...	...	...	1	
Fish	...	...	...	...	67	
Ham	...	...	...	...	11	
Poultry..	...	...	...	...	84	
Shell fish	...	...	...	...	28	
Sugar	...	...	...	...	2	
Vegetables	...	...	...	...	<u>60</u>	271 lbs

Bottled Foods

Peanut Butter..	...	...	...	...	1	
Pickles..	...	...	...	...	90	
Sauces...	...	...	...	...	2	
Spreads..	...	...	...	...	<u>2</u>	95 lbs.

Frozen Foods

Fish	...	...	...	...	62	
Meat	...	...	...	...	62	
Mousse...	...	...	...	...	29	
Pies	...	...	...	...	21	
Poultry..	...	...	...	...	11	
Puff Pastry	...	...	...	...	25	
Sausages.	...	...	...	...	3	
Stews	...	...	...	...	1	
Vegetables	...	...	...	...	<u>64</u>	278 lbs

Tinned Foods

Cereals..	...	...	...	...	57	
Cooking Oil	...	...	...	...	2	
Cream	...	...	...	...	9	
Condiments	...	...	...	...	8	
Fish	...	...	...	...	18	
Fruit	...	...	...	...	590	
Fruit Juice	...	...	...	...	10	
Meat	...	...	...	...	518	
Milk	...	...	...	...	44	
Pie Filling	...	...	...	...	13	
Preserves	...	...	...	...	63	
Puddings.	...	...	...	...	13	
Stews	...	...	...	...	4	
Soups	...	...	...	...	18	
Vegetables	...	...	...	...	<u>698</u>	<u>2065</u> lbs

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FACTORIES ACT, 1961

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health  
(including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	No. on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Secs.1,2,3,4 & 6, are to be enforced	28	17	2	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Sec.7 is enforced	116	94	11	-
(iii) Other premises in which Sec.7 is enforced (excluding outworkers' premises)	21	34	2	-
TOTAL	165	145	15	-

2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND

Particulars	Number of Defects				
	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector	Referred by H.M. Inspector	Prosecutions Instituted
Want of cleanliness	1	-	-	-	-
Sanitary conveniences					
(a) Insufficient	5	2	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	12	-	-	-	-
(c) Other offences	3	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	21	2	-	-	-

Outworkers

The number of outworkers returned on the August list was 27.



### MEANS OF ESCAPE IN CASE OF FIRE

With the co-operation of the Fire Prevention Officer of the Berkshire and Reading Fire Brigade, various premises within the borough have been inspected, five new recommendations having been referred to owners and eleven means of escape in case of fire have been provided. There were twenty-two outstanding recommendations at the end of the year of which ten are in the hands of contractors.

### LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Legal proceedings in connection with contraventions or offences dealt with during the year are as follows:-

#### (A) Food not of the quality demanded.

- (1) Nail  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " in length embedded in half-pound packet of butter.  
Packer fined £5. and 2 Gns. costs.
- (2) Glass in jar of pickled cabbage.  
Packer fined £25. and 5 Gns. costs.
- (3) Glass in beef sausage.  
Case dismissed.

#### (B) Food Hygiene Regulations

- (1) Failing to refrain from the use of tobacco when handling open food.  
Fined £2. with 3 Gns. costs.
- (2) Failing to refrain from the use of tobacco when handling open food on premises where there was open food.  
Case dismissed.
- (3) Failing to take reasonable steps to secure compliance of the regulations by a person under his control in that the person did not refrain from using tobacco when handling open food on premises where there was open food.  
Case dismissed.

#### (C) Milk & Dairies (General) Regulations

Dirty condition of milk bottle. Referred to Reading County Borough in which area milk bottle was filled. Case heard at Reading.

Fined £20.

#### (D) Caravan Sites Act

Permitting use of land as a caravan site whilst not holding a licence.

Fined £40. and 5 Gns. costs.



SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS

Drainage ... ..	721
Dwelling Houses -	
Disinfection ... ..	4
Housing Act Inspections ... ..	74
Housing Act Re-Inspections..	354
Housing - Re Applications...	1
Housing - Re Improvement Grants...	94
Housing - Re Rent Act ... ..	2
Overcrowding ... ..	7
P.H.A.Inspections (Housing)..	98
P.H.A.Re-Inspections (Housing) ...	160
P.H.A.Inspections (other than Housing) ..	180
P.H.A.Re-Inspections (other than Housing) ...	198
Verminous Premises ... ..	13
Factories -	
Building Sites.. ... ..	34
Mechanical Inspection. ... ..	77
Mechanical Re-Inspection ... ..	17
Non-mechanical Inspection...	13
Non-mechanical Re-Inspection ... ..	4
Outworkers ... ..	8
Food and Drugs -	
Bakehouses ... ..	39
Catering Establishments ... ..	305
Dairies etc. ... ..	11
Food Hawkers ... ..	43
Food Shops ... ..	549
Food Transport & Handling...	15
Ice-cream ... ..	53
Meat Depots ... ..	486
Preserved Food.. ... ..	37
Samples taken... ..	237
Unsound Food - Condemnations ... ..	84
Hairdressers ... ..	32
Interviews.. ... ..	1133
Legal Proceedings. ... ..	5
Market and Stalls. ... ..	462
Means of escape in case of fire -	
Factory Act Inspections ... ..	0
Public Health Act Inspections ... ..	11
Public Health Act Re-Inspections..	72
Meetings Attended. ... ..	54
Merchandise Marks. ... ..	197
Movable Dwellings. ... ..	155
Other Pests ... ..	18
Pet Animals Act... ..	13
Piggeries and Stables... ..	7
Places of Public Entertainment ... ..	3
Public and Other Conveniences. ... ..	1
Rodent Control ... ..	2635
Service of Notices ... ..	65
Carried forward	8761



Brought forward

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Shops -

Hours of Closing	...	...	...	...	...	...	110
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Other Inspections . . . . .	96
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Smoke Observations - Clean Air Act. . . . . 16

Water Courses	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
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Water, Samples	...	...	...	...	...	...	24
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Miscellaneous ... .. 929

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